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# PIONEER

## Female students outnumber males, enrollment is up

Numbers show who's attending OKCCC

By Caroline Ting  
Editor

Preliminary enrollment figures show several things for the spring semester. Two of these are: female students outnumber male students in the classrooms and enrollment is on the rise.

Of the total number of students attending OKCCC this semester, 42 percent are males and 58 percent are females.

Dean of Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Annmarie Shirazi said those figures are comparable to last year's figures, but said there is a slight decrease in the number of female students this year.

"In general, community colleges have more female students than male students," Shirazi said.

Also this semester, more students are enrolled in part-time classes than full-time, a continuing trend.

Part-time students account for 62 percent of the students enrolled this spring. The percentage of full-time students is 38 percent, which has remained about the same since last year, Shirazi said.

The age of the average student — 26.4 years old — has remained much the same. It was 26.5 last year.

The number of credit hours those students are taking has risen slightly to 8.6.

"[This] means they're almost carrying three classes each," Shirazi said.

Joyce Morgan-Dees, institutional effectiveness specialist, said last year students were carrying 8.4 credit hours.

Shirazi said a total of 220 concurrently enrolled juniors and seniors from area high schools attend OKCCC this spring. Morgan-Dees said that number has increased since last year as well.

In order for high school students to be admitted by OKCCC, seniors must either have a 3.0 GPA or 19 on their ACT, and juniors must have a 3.5 GPA or 21 on ACT, said Admissions Officer Brandee Morgan.

The percentage of minority students at OKCCC has increased by 1 percent from last year, Morgan-Dees said.

**"In general, community colleges have more female students than male students."**

—Annmarie Shirazi  
Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Dean



Photo by Billy Adams

**Taxing times:** Gerald Matthews, a VITA volunteer, mulls over yet another tax return. This is his 12th year with VITA. He was in private practice as an accountant for 15 years before this. He said he volunteers to do tax returns "just to help people." VITA services are free and will be available to everyone until April 15 outside the Student Life office.

## Websites list job opportunities

By Lacey Lett  
Staff Writer

Having trouble finding a job? If so, the Office of Student Life can help. Employment Services, located in the Office of Student Life, offers several career search websites, said Linda Fay, student employment adviser.

Fay said one website lists all the employment opportunities available on the OKCCC campus. A links page also is available that connects to approximately 30 other employment search websites.

"We also have several links that list our most popular majors and [the] jobs coming from those majors," she said. "It's called 'From Majors to Jobs.'"

Fay said Oklahoma Career Information System is another career exploration website. "This website is wonderful," she said. "It is a complete information site."

OKCIS provides information on different jobs around the nation, as well as in-

formation on universities and colleges all over the United States, Fay said.

There also is an occupational site where a student can input skills and abilities, and it will pull up occupations that coincide. "There are about 500 different jobs on [that site]," she said.

Fay said about 150 different employers also are listed on that website.

Fay also keeps OKCCC instructors abreast of jobs that may be interesting to the students in their area. She said, when she sees an employment opportunity in a particular field, she forwards the information to the instructors to share with their students.

The opportunities don't end there, Fay said. "Occasionally we will get internships," she said. "We have had one with Lt. Gov. Mary Fallin."

Since the sites require user names and passwords that are available only through

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## Editorial and Opinion

## Editorial

# France should not ban head scarves

Muslim head scarves and other religious symbols have been banned from public schools in France after the French National Assembly voted to approve the proposal on Feb. 10.

Although the vote was 494 in favor and 36 opposed, it still needs to go to the French Senate for the final decision on the law, according to CNN.com.

Many who oppose the law also said it could cause more problems than it would solve.

The reason the French government are for bringing up the proposal is that teachers have complained in recent years that some Muslim students have been rejecting the truth about the Nazi slaughter of the Jews. That makes it impossible for them to teach about the subject, according to the New York Times.

The same article in the New York Times said the teachers also said some Muslim girls wouldn't attend classes on human reproduction because they are too graphic. They also wanted to have sexually-segregated gym classes. In addition, both male and female Muslim students have demanded a ban on pork in school cafeterias and prayer breaks during the standardized baccalaureate exams at the end of high school.

All of these reasons and complaints fuel the teachers' frustration against the fact that the Muslim students demand the absolute right to practice their religion. But like the teachers said, only 'some' Muslim girls don't want to learn about human reproduction because they're too graphic; not all of them feel that way. And not all of them want to be separated from male students in gym classes. Therefore, these individual cases should be considered for exemption instead of passing a law affecting all Muslim students.

The French public schools should figure out ways to enforce the school policies on interruptions during classes and exams due to religious reasons. In case of Muslim students wanting to ban pork in school cafeterias, perhaps those schools don't offer enough meal options for the Muslim students.

France needs to take the ban on head scarves and other religious symbols seriously, because it has the largest population with 5 million Muslims in Western Europe. A majority of them would feel or already are feeling discriminated against in the society. They were given the right to wear head scarves and practice their religion. It's not fair that the government simply passes a law and takes away their freedom.

People from all religions should have the right to practice their spiritual beliefs, as long as their actions cause no harm to others.

—Caroline Ting  
Editor

# Nominate best professor

## To the editor:

The President's Award for Excellence in Teaching is presented during the spring of each year to a full-time faculty member who exemplifies teaching excellence. The office of the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs administers the process of receiving nominees and developing recommendations to the President.

To be considered for this award a faculty member may be nominated by a fellow faculty member, by a current or former student, or by a staff member. After a review of all nominations, a selection committee appointed by the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs will recommend three candidates.

The Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs will then forward the recommended candidates to the President who will make the final selection.

Criteria for selection include: a high degree of professional competence exhibited by knowledge and expertise that is extensive and current; effective teaching methods that demonstrate quality, creativity and resourcefulness, as well as clear, accurate and effective communication; enthusiasm and a strong commitment to teaching in general and a genuine concern, commitment, and fairness to students; contribution to the teaching profession at the institutional, state, or national level.

The recipient of the President's Award for Excellence in Teaching will be announced during commencement exercises.

At that time, the recipient will be presented a plaque and cash award of \$1,000 to commemorate this honor.

—Paul W. Sechrist  
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## Comments and Reviews

# Student worker questions rules

### To the editor:

I am a current work-study student at OKCCC, and I have issues with the way this program is handled.

We are treated as actual employees of the college instead of students but not allowed employee benefits of any kind. We are told we cannot study while working, even if we have nothing to do and it doesn't interfere with our jobs.

We are forbidden to wear jeans, even though we have not been provided with a dress code policy. After inquiry into rules and procedures for work-study students, we were told there are no college policies, but it is decided department by department. In the specific

department where I work, our rules change from day to day and nothing has ever been provided to us in writing.

We are not provided with any benefits or with extra funding to buy dress clothes, and this is quite a hardship on a single parent trying to further their education. We are asked to perform cleaning tasks that ruin our clothes and are told not to work if we are in any clothing that is not approved by the head of our department.

The work-study program is funded by the federal government and it costs the college a minimal amount, if any, out of their precious budget so I guess it is hard for me to understand why

the rules are so stringent and so variable from department to department.

As a student I feel as if the other students would prefer to have help provided to them by students who can relate to their issues. I would not have a problem if all this information was in black and white and provided at the time of your work study employment. It just seems to me this is an awful lot for a student to have to deal with on top of schoolwork and personal responsibilities for \$6.50 per hour and 10 to 20 hours a week.

My opinion only, and I invite others to submit their opinion as well.

—Name withheld  
by request

# 'Lost In Translation' gets an A

There is usually a time in everyone's life when they feel lost. Now, not just forgetting where you parked your car, but actually confused as to where to go in life. This is the reason most people will be able to identify with the characters in the movie "Lost In Translation."

Bob Harris (Bill Murray) is our protagonist. Harris is a middle-aged actor who is on a business trip to Tokyo promoting Sundory Whiskey. In a way, the trip is like an escape for him from his regular life, not to mention his wife. It is clear from many phone conversations throughout the movie that their marriage is an unhappy one. One night in the hotel bar, Bob meets Charlotte (Scarlett Johansson), whose photographer husband (Giovanni Ribisi) has

left her alone while he hurries off to photograph a band. She can best be described as a free spirit, also trapped in an unhappy marriage. Bob and Charlotte get to know each other better and connect with one another. Their shared experiences and feelings help them form an "unlikely friendship."

Both strangers in a foreign land, the two bond while gallivanting around the city. While Bob is off taking care of business at advertising shoots and taping interviews on crazy talk shows, Charlotte wanders off on her own, searching for who she is. "I just don't know what I am supposed to be," Charlotte admits to Bob. Showing her that he can relate he tells her, "The more you know who you are and what you want, the

less you let things upset you."

Despite its dramatic scenes, "Translation" also elicits a few laughs. Neither Bob nor Charlotte have an easy time understanding anything due to the language barrier between their native tongues, English and Japanese. This fact only makes things harder for them but is nevertheless humorous to watch. In a way, they slowly become lost in translation as the title suggests. Murray does a good job portraying a likeable guy having a mid-life crisis. Johansson is superb as his young, "soul searching" counterpart.

In this critic's mind, this film definitely translates into an A.

—Nicole Padilla  
Staff Writer

## Counselor's Corner

### Healthy eating the only way

*"It may be possible to incorporate laughter into daily activities, just as is done with other heart-healthy activities, such as taking the stairs instead of the elevator. The recommendation for a healthy heart may one day be exercise, eat right and laugh a few times a day."*

—Michael Miller, MD

Sheila (not her real name) was an attractive girl, happy and vivacious. In spite of a few extra pounds, she drew people to her with an infectious personality and a zest for life. She was a varsity cheerleader all throughout high school. Sheila was well-liked by her peers, teachers and parents. In the second semester of her senior year, scholarship offers began to pour in from all over. But, in spite of a supportive family, a close group of friends, and an active social life, Sheila secretly wished she could look more like the girls on the covers of the magazines she read every month. Her life was good, but surely it would be better if she could just go off to college thin.

Without her family's knowledge, Sheila stopped by a local market and purchased a supplement that was guaranteed to be "safe and all natural." Even though this supplement wasn't supposed to be sold to anyone under 18 without parental consent, nobody questioned her about her age. And Sheila asked no questions about her purchase. About three weeks into her weight-loss venture, Sheila began to have seizures. By the time her family got her to a hospital, she was in a coma. Sheila had suffered a massive stroke. While she has recovered some speech and movement, she is a shell of her former self. Gone are the scholarship opportunities. Gone is the excitement of cheering and laughing and of just being young.

Americans are heavier and fatter than we have ever been in spite of a multi-billion-dollar-a-year market for diets, supplements, exercise equipment, club memberships and surgery. Portion sizes are out of this world. Soon after opening, McDonald's offered an adult value meal that promised a burger, fries and a drink and change back from a dollar. This is now a kid's value meal. An adult value meal has more than the recommended calories for an entire day. Fad diets come and go, but people ignore the basic tenet consuming fewer calories while burning more of them.

February is National Eating Disorders Awareness Month. Student Development invites you to participate in information sessions and/or screening so you can learn more about eating disorders, and also about healthful eating and fitness. By shifting our focus from "thin" to "fit," we can learn to love ourselves and be healthy no matter what size we are.

—Student Development

### Quote of the Week:

"You can tell how high a society is by how much of its garbage is recycled."

—Tahanie

# Public school students talk about their problems

By Robert Edde III  
News Writing I Student

The topic of school security drew the most interest at the third annual Youth Leadership Conference held on the OKCCC campus recently.

The conference offered a chance for Oklahoma City public school students to express their views on the problems they face at school.

Ali Meyer, a journalist at KFOR-TV, asked the audience, made up of about 200 students from six different schools, if they knew of any metal detectors or metal scanners in their schools that did not work. More than half the students raised their hands. Oklahoma City schools use metal detectors to protect students from concealed weapons that might be carried onto the campuses.

Meyer was one of 40 com-

munity leaders who listened to the students make suggestions on how to solve school problems.

On the listening council were elected state representatives, school board members, health professionals and law enforcement leaders. The youngsters said they know there are metal detectors and metal scanners that do not work, but they also realize the financial difficulty Oklahoma City is enduring. However, they still feel this problem needs to be addressed.

The students also commented on the deterioration of the school buildings.

Camal Pennington, from Northeast High School, expressed his discomfort with the decrepit school buildings by noting how some of the students were getting sick due to the accumulating mold on the ceilings. He also said a principal at the school had possibly acquired symptoms of asth-

ma because of the mold. Certain spots in the roofs of the school leak because the roof is decades old and needs to be replaced. Some youngsters said they dislike using the public school bathrooms because the partitions that give them privacy are missing from some of the stalls.

Maps for Kids, designed to assist these schools with fixing up their facilities, is "steadily moving forward," said Jennifer Puckett, an Oklahoma City school board member, who gave an update on the Maps for Kids project.

Sexually transmitted diseases also are a problem that exists in Oklahoma City Public schools, the students said.

Angel Lopez from Capitol Hill High School explained the need for faculty at schools to teach teens about these diseases and do it sooner. He explained that by the time it is taught or discussed in high school,



Photo by Billy Adams

Bonnie McAffrey of Youth Services of Oklahoma County, left, and Ryan Moser of the Oklahoma City Police Department listen as high school students express their concerns.

students are already sexually active and the message is being delivered too late.

State representative Al Lindley questioned why AIDS prevention is not being taught in middle school as is mandated. When questioned, no other members of the listening panel had an answer for Lindley. Lopez reiterated some other

facts concerning Oklahoma's high teen pregnancy rate and the age at which some girls are becoming pregnant only being 11 or 12 years old. He said Oklahoma also has a large number of teenagers becoming infected with sexually transmitted diseases and the number is increasing.

## Kerry wins; Clark drops out

By Travis M. McMillan  
News Writing I Student

For all intents and purposes, the race for the presidential nomination of the Democratic Party is over, according to CNN.com.

Sen. John Kerry's resounding wins this week in Michigan, Washington, Maine, Tennessee and Virginia have further distanced him from the competition, moving him one step closer to a November showdown with President George W. Bush.

In Michigan, Kerry collected 52 percent of the vote and 91 delegates, while runner-up Howard Dean, former Vermont governor, collected just 17 percent and 24 delegates. Kerry also received good news from the west coast where he won the state of Wash-

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ington, receiving 49 percent of the votes and 47 delegates while runner up, Dean, collected 30 percent and 29 delegates.

Tuesday night, as the returns came in from Tennessee and Virginia, it became clearer that Kerry is running away with the nomination. Kerry picked up 52 percent of the vote and 54 delegates, in Virginia, trouncing runner-up North Carolina Sen. John Edwards by 24 percent.

While in Tennessee, there was a similar result with Kerry collecting 41 percent and 31 delegates, to Edwards 26 percent and 20 delegates. CNN.com also said Kerry has a resound-

ing lead with 510 delegates of the 2,161 required for nomination, counting for one fourth of the delegates needed, through just 12 states.

Gen. Wesley Clark, has decided to drop out of the race after two very disappointing third-place showings in Tennessee and Virginia. Clark put millions of dollars and the future of his campaign into winning the two states. He has now said he will endorse Kerry.

Dean may soon follow, as he is making his last stand in Wisconsin, putting his entire hopes into winning the state. Should he lose he may be joining Clark on the sidelines, CNN.com said.

## OKCCC finalist for award

By Jaci Dake  
Contributing Writer

OKCCC was a finalist for The Community College Futures Assembly 2004 Bellwether Awards. The nomination was for the Early College Awareness program started in 1999.

The Community College Futures Assembly ran from Jan. 31 through Feb. 3. OKCCC competed against colleges from Texas, Florida, Wisconsin, Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Charlotte French, executive director of enrollment management, developed the program so that potential students and their parents would be able to better plan for higher education.

"The earlier kids and parents know [about expenses and admissions], the earlier they can prepare for it."

Thirty Bellwether finalists were competitively chosen from anonymous nominations. The Bellwether Award was established to recognize outstanding and innovative community college programs. For more information about the Bellwether Awards or Community College Futures Assembly go to [www.coe.ufl.edu/futures](http://www.coe.ufl.edu/futures).

# Job fair hopes to attract more employers

**By Caroline Ting  
Editor**

Students, individuals in the community as well as employers will have an opportunity to participate in the upcoming job fair organized by OKCCC from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 3, in the college union. Student Employment Adviser Linda Fay encourages students and employers to take part in the event.

Employers must contact the Employment Services office at 682-7519 no later than Feb. 16 to assure a place at the fair. The VIP parking lot also will be reserved for the employers on the day of the event, Fay

said.

"We hope to get a variety of employers," Fay said. "We have now about 155 active employers [who] send us job listings regularly."

Fay also said the only rule the job fair has for employers is that they must be legitimate companies seeking individuals, and they're not allowed to sell products of any kind at the fair.

A sample of some of the employers already involved in the job fair include various health organizations, mortgage companies, state agencies, city agencies, the state Office of Personnel, temporary employers and banks.

Fay also said students should not wait until the last minute to get their résumés together.

If students need assistance with writing résumés, Fay said her office has discs to teach students how to construct a résumé. She said her office won't do the résumés for students, but they will help them update or polish them up.

Student Life Employment Services also can be contacted through e-mail at [employmentservices@okccc.edu](mailto:employmentservices@okccc.edu).

For any upcoming events or useful information visit [okccc.edu/ges](http://okccc.edu/ges).

Here is a list of pointers Fay made to help students make a good impression in front of the employers at the job fair:

1. Bring several copies of your résumé as well as writing materials to take notes. If you're searching in

more than one area, develop more than one version of your résumé, each highlighting different aspects of your background and experience. For assistance in updating your résumé, come by OKCCC Employment Services in the Student Life area of the main building, or call 682-7519.

2. Know what you're going to say to each employer. If they're busy, you may only have a minute to present your qualifications, so think carefully what you want to cover and the best way to say it, varying it depending on individual recruiting needs.

3. While waiting, look at the literature and information at the booths. There may be details on specific

job openings or important information about the company.

4. Develop a few questions to ask employers. You can't anticipate how much time you'll have with each employer. If you have several minutes you may be asked if you have any questions. It pays to have one or two good questions ready.

5. Be well groomed, dress professionally, and be enthusiastic.

6. Network with other attendees. Their impressions can help you.

7. Learn more about individual employers. Learn what you should do to follow up on your best contacts like the name and title of the person with whom you may communicate.

## Aquatic center to offer membership

**By Beth Stanley  
News Writing I Student**

Let's face it; students love free stuff. Most OKCCC students are unaware they are entitled to a free membership to the college's Aquatic Center just by showing a current student ID card.

"With this membership students can use the weight room, cardiovascular room, gymnasium, showers, locker rooms and swimming pool for free," said Stephanie Scott, aquatics, health and safety training specialist. "Also, by being a student they can receive significant discounts on classes offered by the Aquatic Center. This is fun for the whole family, many students bring their children with them," Scott also said.

For example, students can receive a discount in water aerobics, kick boxing, land aerobics and body sculpting for just \$20 a month.

The Aquatics Center offers a full Olympic size pool that measures 50 meters long by 25 yards wide, with a moveable bulkhead that converts the full size Olympic pool into three separate pools.

"The Aquatic Center converts the pool to split the pool up for specific uses. Part of the pool can be used for people wanting to swim laps, while another part of the pool can be used for less determined swimmers like children who just want to play," Scott said.

The facilities are open to the public. For more information and times of operation please call the Aquatic Center/Wellness Center at 682-7560.

## Students teach professors with poll

**By Lacey Lett  
Staff Writer**

Students don't get a choice on what they learn in class. They usually just get to sit and listen.

Mark Schneberger, professor of learning skills, has invented a way for English students to talk back with an online poll.

Schneberger put up an online poll for two weeks last month for English Composition and Writing students. Some of the questions included what students had the most trouble with in writing, what they like most about their writing and what grade they thought they should earn. "Most students felt they should earn an A. I think that's great," Schneberger said.

"The results are very interesting, and the students could have a lot of power in making changes to the courses they take," he said. The results showed that 28 percent of the 268 students polled thought the thing they like most about their

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**—Mark Schneberger  
Professor of learning skills**

writing was being able to put their feelings into it. Also, most students wanted to learn about grammar.

"I was surprised to see students wanted to learn about grammar. We usually teach a lot about structure so that was interesting," Schneberger said.

Josh Van Winkle, sophomore, thinks the poll was a great idea. "It's good for professors to know how students go about learning English."

Schneberger is planning to continue doing the polls in the future due to the high response from it and thinks the poll would be good for any department. "I think it would be great for any subject. Sometimes we think we know what they (the students) need, and this will let us know for sure what they need," Schneberger said.

He is planning to offer the poll for two weeks at the beginning of each semester. He said the results are completely anonymous.

As far as his personal plans on using the poll go, Schneberger has already started using the suggestions given to him from the students polled. "I plan on tracking these (results) and see if the attitudes on the students change," he said. Schneberger is glad to see all of the professors helping out on the poll. He believes it shows the students that the professors care.

"It's a neat opportunity for teachers to learn from the students for a change."

For more information students can call any English professor or e-mail Mark Schneberger at [www.okccc.edu/mschneberger](http://www.okccc.edu/mschneberger).

# Students named to Vice President's Honor Roll

**Students are eligible to be placed on the Vice President's Honor Roll in any semester in which they have achieved a semester grade point average of 3.5 while carrying at least 12 hours. Part-time students are eligible if they have maintained a 3.5 GPA for two consecutive semesters.**

Christina Aaron, Lisa Adams, Shokooah Ahmadifar, Hamoud Al-Qahtani, Angie Albers, Jennifer Alexander, Carol Allen, Gary Amen, Gregory Amos, Dominic An, Nelson Anaback, Joshua Anderson, Mark Anderson, Kelli Argo, Tequisha Ashley.

Andrew Auchter, Zeeshan Ayub, Amber Badman, Lilianna Baeza, Mandy Bain, Donita Baker, Dru Baker, Joann Baker, Jessica Ball, Miranda Bandy, Amy Banu, Sheldon Barger, Shyra Barnes, Mary Barnett, Tiffany Barnett, John Barrett, Sarah Baskin, Jeremy Bass.

Charles Beavers, Shawna Bedell, Aaron Beloncik, Julieta Benedict, Bradley Benefield, Esteban Bernal, Barbara Biggers, Christopher Billings, Virginia Bingman, Mekay Bixby, Meredith Black, Louise Blount, Susan Bolz, Blair Bonham, Angel Borrego, James Bouse, Gloria Bradley, Charlotte Bradshaw, William Bratton, Danielle Brauer, Irma Braun-Hampton.

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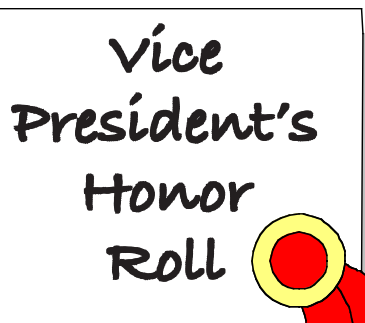
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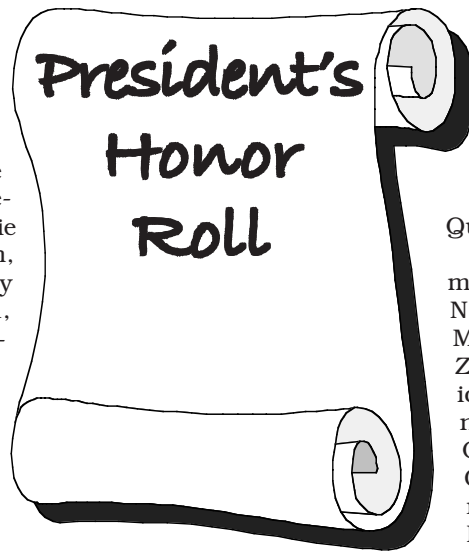
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—Dr. Paul Sechrist  
Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

**"The President's Honor Roll recognizes those students who have maintained the highest level of academic achievement.**

**I applaud them for their dedication and commitment to excellence."**  
—Dr. Bob Todd  
OKCCC President



# Students rate 189 profs online

Ratemyprofessors.com offers five categories ranging from clarity to hotness

By Caroline Ting  
Editor

Many OKCCC students are checking up on their professors' classroom performance via the Internet at [ratemyprofessors.com](http://ratemyprofessors.com). The number of OKCCC professors currently being rated on the website has jumped from just 13 in March 2003 to 189.

The professors are rated in different categories including easiness, helpfulness, clarity and hotness.

All categories are rated from one to five, with five being the top rating. The professors students perceive as hot or sexy also receive a chili pepper next to their names.

English professor Pamela Stout said she thinks the website is just funny, silly and also a curiosity. Stout is one of the professors who received a chili pepper.

She said she is amused by the chili pepper but also is glad to receive some good comments from students.

She said she doesn't think the website is very reliable and isn't much different from what students would tell each other.

"They're not really rating how effectively a teacher teaches," Stout said. "They're just telling if they like the teacher.

"That's all the site is for."

In order for the website to be useful, Stout said, it could add a few more categories concerning teaching.

Otherwise, she said, the site is just a form of entertainment.

Math professor Paul Buckelew said he thinks the site is interesting for students to look at and some of the comments are quite funny, but said it doesn't really mean anything to him statistically.

"I've seen plenty of excellent teachers that we have [get] bad reviews [on the website] because someone gets mad," Buckelew said.

"I would say it's good entertainment. It doesn't hurt to go look at your professors and... see what [students] have to say about them, because there are some good stories in there," he said.

Radiation therapist major Gwin George said she's never heard of the website and doesn't plan to log on to it.

She said, in a way, the website can be good for students to freely express their feelings about their professors, but the ratings could be mixed with personal opinions rather than based on the professors' teaching ability.

Rex Roberts, elementary education major, said the site is a useful tool.

"You can see how hard and lenient a professor is, and how much learning goes on [in the classroom]," Roberts said.

Literature major Edrick Harrell agrees.

"Rather [than] by word of mouth, now I just look at [the website] on the computer."

RatemyProfessors.com



Photo by Billy Adams

Percussionist Chen Zimbalista moves his hands with blinding speed as he performs his untitled tambourine composition. Zimbalista was here from Israel as a part of the Cultural Awareness Series. For information about future events, call 682-7579.

## Percussionist keeps the beat

By Mallori McKeown  
News Writing I Student

Using his hands as well as his feet, Chen Zimbalista makes music that is truly awe-inspiring.

Zimbalista, a percussion soloist from Israel, performed at OKCCC recently as part of the 2003-2004 Cultural Awareness Series.

Dr. Manuel Prestamo, dean of Cultural Programs and Community Develop-

ment, said this performance helped bring a "global awareness" to the understanding of the Israeli culture.

After Zimbalista's performance, audience member Billy Reid said, "He made everything seem so easy. The performance was spectacular."

Zimbalista played more than 20 different instruments. His performance also included a bit of humor and audience participation.

As the audience struggled to clap along with his rhythms, Zimbalista jokingly remarked, "I have time. My flight is only tomorrow."

Zimbalista said his goal in performing is to "make people happy."

He will perform the Carmen Fantasy with the Oklahoma Community Orchestra at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 17 at Oklahoma Christian University. For more information visit [www.okorchestra.com](http://www.okorchestra.com).

## Club hosting talent show Feb. 17

By Lacey Lett  
Staff Writer

"It's show time folks!"

Black Student Association is hosting a talent show from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, in the college union.

Obiora Chima, BSA event coordinator, said anyone can attend and participate.

"It's for BSA members and anyone else [who] wants to be in it to do [things like] poetry."

Upcoming events for BSA include a campus party Feb. 28 at OKCCC. Dress is casual, Chima said. He said there will be an exhibit Feb. 23 through 27. Displays will

include "different arts and artifacts like slave chains, artwork and quilts," said Chima. "Come out and support BSA."

Chima said anyone can attend BSA meetings "regardless of race." They are held from 1 to 2 p.m. in the Student Life Conference Room.

According to the OKCCC student clubs and organizations brochure, BSA is an organization that serves as a focal point for African-American students at the college by enhancing educational goal completion, by making a zealous effort to increase the retention of all students and promoting awareness for the African-American culture.

For more information call BSA sponsor Claire Echols at 682-1611, ext. 7582.



# The intramural draft will pump... you up

**By Billy Adams  
Staff Writer**

The office of Recreation and Community services is trying an approach to this year's intramurals that is foreign to the college, but very much a part of professional sports. This year the office has implemented a draft.

The draft has been introduced as an outreach for students who have trouble finding people to play with.

Traci Wheeler, recreation and community services director, said not all students wanting to play will be subject to the draft.

"We want to afford students the opportunity to put together their own team," said Wheeler. "We wanted to get a bigger attendance... some students didn't even know we existed."

It has worked, Wheeler said. After the draft for basketball on Jan. 29, there were 10 teams signed up to play.

Five teams were formed before the draft, and the draft produced five teams, Wheeler said.

Wheeler also said there will be a draft for all team sports, both this semester and next.

Other sports with a draft this semester are slow-

pitch softball and water polo.

The draft for softball will be on March 30 with sign-ups beginning on March 22, running until March 29. Water polo will have its draft on April 1 with sign-up days the same as softball.

Students who are interested in getting involved need to register at the Wellness Center desk. Students can either be coaches or players. Coaches will fill out a coach's card and players will fill out their draft cards.

For more information contact the Recreation and Community Services office at 682-1611, ext. 7860.



Photo by Billy Adams

# Biotech receives grant for internship program

**By Caroline Ting  
Editor**

The OKCCC Biotechnology program has recently been granted \$32,000 for an internship program by the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology (OCAST).

Biotechnology Program

Director Dr. Charlotte Mulvihill said it's the fifth OCAST grant the program has received.

Mulvihill said she wrote the grant in September last year and was notified by OCAST in December. To apply for the OCAST grant is a competition, she said. "There are many others who apply for the same grant, and it's not a guarantee that the program will

receive it again next year," Mulvihill said.

All the internships are paid, Mulvihill said. To be eligible to apply for the internships, students must have successfully completed the biotechnology program courses at OKCCC.

The organizations students can apply for internships through the OCAST grant include: OKCCC,

Hyalose, L.L.C., Oklahoma Foundation for Digestive Research, Oklahoma University Health Sciences Center, Genetics Lab, Department of Pediatrics, Genzyme Glycobiology Research Institute, University of Oklahoma, Advanced Center for Genome Technology, Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation, Pure Protein, L.L.C., Analytical Research Laboratories and

Immuni-Mycologies, Inc.

"We consider it very important that [the students] get work-site experiences, Mulvihill said. "That's what our program is training for." The internships are usually in the summer, but they're flexible, she said.

Interested students should contact Mulvihill for more information about the grant at 682-1611, ext. 7225.

# New method for work orders make smooth operating

**'Maximo' computer program is being used by all departments to help the college run more efficiently**

**By Cody Guine  
News Writing I Student**

OKCCC has a new way of processing work orders for the college's maintenance and cleanup needs.

The change has helped OKCCC save money in inventory control. So far there have been 160 people trained to use the new program and it has proved to be very successful.

According to the people who process the work orders, a student puking in

the bathroom, or seeing mice in the classrooms are the most notable maintenance issues on campus.

Every department in the college has Maximo on their desktop. If there is something that has to be done, that person tells the department supervisor who, in turn, does the Maximo work order.

Physical Plant supervisors check the list of work orders throughout the day. The work orders are classified in order of importance, from one to four; one being most important and four

being least. If one is selected, there should be an emergency that needs to be responded to immediately. A four is something that needs to be done such as the temperature in a room or something minor that needs to be fixed.

When the supervisors get the work order they must decide if the job really needs to be done or not. If they decide to do the job they schedule it and assign a member of the Physical Plant to take care of the problem.

Cheryl Wolf of the math

and science department said Maximo work orders are received and all completed in a very timely fashion.

Maximo also is taking the hassle off of other departments.

Safety and Security staff members said Maximo eliminates the paper trail that can be a pain and therefore takes some of the responsibility off of them. They also said the most difficult part of the work order process was finding the location of the problem.

They said Maximo is a

guarantee that their request will be complete.

All the supervisors of the Physical Plant chose Maximo. Mro Software is the designer of the work order program.

Susan VanSchuyver, dean of arts and humanities, said the new Maximo program was very quick and easy to use.

J.B. Messer, director of physical plant, agrees with VanSchuyver.

He said Maximo is going to save money, and make the college operate more smoothly.

# Highlights

## Ecology of Costa Rica course meeting

Anyone interested in enrolling in BIO 2004, Tropical Ecology of Costa Rica, is invited to attend an organizational meeting from 11 a.m. to noon on Friday, Feb. 20 in room 1C7 (located in the Science Complex). The course will only be offered during the May intersession. For more information contact Professor Teresa Randall at [trandall@okccc.edu](mailto:trandall@okccc.edu) or visit [www.okccc.edu/trandall](http://www.okccc.edu/trandall).

## Disney college program presentation

The Walt Disney World College Program presentation will be shown at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, March 1 in CU2. The program gives college credits and is open to students of all majors. For more information check out [wdwcollegeprogram.com](http://wdwcollegeprogram.com).

## Indie short film seeks actors

Jason Floyd is seeking actors in their early 20s, both male and female to star in his indie short film "Sombrero Girl." Auditions will be held from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 24 at Actors Warehouse Studio 8051B N. Classen. For more information call 810-9299 or log on to [www.filmaddiction.net](http://www.filmaddiction.net).

## Stage Door Theatrical Company's "The Nerd"

Stage Door Theatrical Company will perform Larry Shue's comedic play "The Nerd" at 8:00 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays from through Feb. 21. The address is 201 N. Broadway, Suite 104, in Moore. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased online at [www.stagedoor.com](http://www.stagedoor.com) or by calling 701-0014.

## Join OKCCC Community Chorus

The Community Chorus is looking for students to join in "An Evening of Gilbert and Sullivan" under the direction of music professor Jonathan Stewart. New singers will be accepted until March 2. Rehearsals are Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. in room 1C5. For more information contact Stewart at 682-1611, ext. 7249.

## Alumni Association scholarships

The OKCCC Alumni Association is accepting scholarship applications for the 2004-2005 academic year. The cash scholarships are for \$750. Student must have completed 12 credit hours at OKCCC and be currently enrolled in at least 6 credit hours. They must also have at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA. All applications must be postmarked by March 31 and can be picked up in the Office of Prospective Student Services or online at [www.okccc.edu/alumni](http://www.okccc.edu/alumni). For more information call 682-7591.

## Winners of International Education Week Giveaway

The Global Education Committee announced winners of their student giveaway from last semester: Laycee Johnson (Global T-shirt), Rebecca Riley (OKCCC sweatshirt), Dennis Plavilapadinjattethil (World and I Mag. subscription), Nelson Austin (Bard Richter CD, signed), Luis Vasquez (Brazilian Guitar Quartet CD), Thomas P. Dennis (Mozart, Beethoven, Chopin, Liszt CD), Maggie Abel (Violin Miniatures CD), Gaby Brooks (Concert at Bettadine CD), Kimberly Frazier (Flynt, Episodes CD). Winners need to see Professor Michael Panches in the Arts and Humanities division to collect prizes. Contact Panches at 682-1611, ext. 7637.



Photo by Billy Adams

**Sweets for the sweetheart:** LeeAnn Hauser stops to buy goodies for her valentine. Phi Theta Kappa sold a package for \$5 that included a rose, candy and a card.

## Hispanic club busy helping out others in the community

By Nicole Padilla  
Staff Writer

Imagine what it would be like if your teacher spoke a different language than you did.

How much of a challenge it would be to accomplish the everyday activities most of us take for granted.

For some young students in elementary schools, this is an unfortunate reality. There is a shortage of bilingual teaching assistants in Oklahoma City and surrounding areas. A group of students on campus are trying to change that however. They belong to an organization called the Hispanic Organization to Promote Education (HOPE).

Members of HOPE are currently volunteering at nearby schools as bilingual teaching assistants, in order to help children who do not speak English.

It has been difficult to find bilingual teaching assistants due to the No Child Left Behind Act, which was

passed in 2001.

The act states that bilingual teaching assistants need a certain amount of college credit. This is why college students are being sought out for the job.

Jessica Martinez-Brooks, media relations coordinator, and sponsor of HOPE is proud of the volunteers. "I have to give credit to the students because most of them are going to school full-time, and they are also doing so many volunteer hours," Martinez-Brooks said.

One event HOPE put on in the past was a Christmas party for kindergartners at Rockwood Elementary School, complete with a bilingual Santa Claus, said Martinez-Brooks.

Members of HOPE also take pride in each others' dedication.

"It makes me feel proud that so many college students are taking the time to help in what they can, even though everyone has such busy schedules," said Omar Lozano, HOPE president. "I am also very

proud of my other HOPE officers who help out in all the things we set out to do."

In the future HOPE plans to return to Rockwood Elementary to read to the pre-kindergarten and kindergarten classes.

The club will also be hosting a Civil Rights Conference from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on March 6 in the college union. The League of United Latin American Citizens will be speaking at the conference.

"I think it is always important to be bilingual," said Martinez-Brooks.

"With the growing Hispanic population in Oklahoma City, it's really important and very helpful to better market yourself to employers, and it's one more thing for them to look at in job interviews."

HOPE will have its next meeting at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 19 in room 2N7. Meetings are held every other Thursday.

For more information on HOPE or to join the club contact Martinez-Brooks at 682-1611, ext. 7248.

# Classifieds

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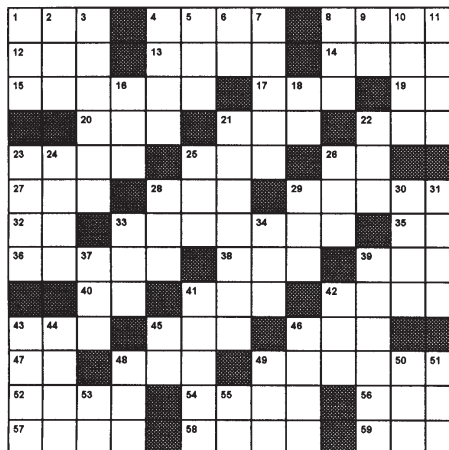
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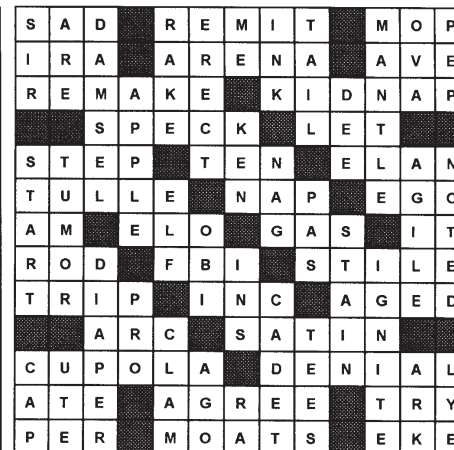
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- ACROSS  
 1 Unhappy  
 4 Frolic  
 8 Measure  
 12 Poem  
 13 Spoken  
 14 Newspaper piece  
 15 Find  
 17 Upper appendage  
 19 Third scale note  
 20 NW state (abbr.)  
 21 Perform  
 22 Appropriate  
 23 Mineral vein  
 25 Frozen water  
 26 Preposition  
 27 Hall!  
 28 Dined  
 29 Eight singers  
 32 NE state (abbr.)  
 33 Springs up suddenly  
 35 Second scale note  
 36 Rub out  
 38 Craft  
 39 It is (poetic)  
 40 Direction (abbr.)  
 41 And so on (abbr.)  
 42 Two singers

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- 43 Amount (abbr.)  
 45 Anger  
 46 Send a bill  
 47 Thus  
 48 Single unit  
 49 Sign  
 52 Low speed  
 54 Scion (var.)  
 56 \_\_\_ out a living  
 57 Sea bird  
 58 Fork prong  
 59 Young boy
- DOWN  
 1 Sun  
 2 Stir  
 3 Convert from code  
 4 Word for word  
 5 Iron  
 6 NE state (abbr.)  
 7 Put  
 8 Edge  
 9 Near  
 10 Temperature (slang)  
 11 Send forth  
 16 Plural verb  
 18 Right (abbr.)  
 21 Salt of acetic acid

- 22 Boat stern  
 23 Limp  
 24 Above  
 25 Indefinite pronoun  
 26 Fall month (abbr.)  
 28 Gorilla  
 29 Food scrap  
 30 Great lake  
 31 Exam  
 33 Employ  
 34 Curve  
 37 Picnic pest  
 39 Underground passage  
 41 Standing up  
 42 Dig (p.t.)  
 43 Helper (abbr.)  
 44 Burrowing animal  
 45 Elected official  
 46 Eat  
 48 Has  
 49 Male offspring  
 50 Also known as (abbr.)  
 51 Lead (p.t.)  
 53 Either...  
 55 Two (Roman)

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# Enrollment figures show minority increase by 1% over last year

**"Numbers,"**  
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Twenty-nine percent of the student body are minority students this semester. Of that, 9.6 percent are African-Americans; 7.2 percent are Asians; 6.1 percent are Hispanics; 6 percent are Native Americans and 0.4 percent are Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islanders.

When do all these folks go to class?

Of the total enrollment, 52.1 percent attend during the daytime and 26.3 percent occurs in the evening, Shirazi said.

Both figures have shown a slight increase compared to last year's figures.

The remaining 21.6 percent of the total enrollment occurs during "other times," meaning weekends, off-campus and online. That enrollment has decreased by 0.4 percent from last year.

The percentage of new

students enrolled this semester is 16.8 percent with 83.2 percent being returning students.

"[The college has] been growing at a nice steady rate and pretty much it mirrors a lot of what you see out there for community colleges in general," Shirazi said.

Computer Science professor Vicki Gibson and biology professor Julian Hilliard both said they've seen more male students in their classes this semester.

Gibson said she sees more male students in her classes due to the nature of the subject she teaches.

She said she also has seen an increase in enrollment in her on-campus classes as well as in her online class.

Hilliard agrees.

"[My classes] are as full as they could possibly be," he said.

He said his classes usually contain more female students because they're often considered as pre-

nursing courses, but this semester he has seen higher numbers of male students.

Gibson and Hilliard both said they haven't noticed any change in the numbers of minority students in

their classes.

"I have not noticed an increase in minority students since starting teaching here," Hilliard said.

"I think the minority students we have at the college reflects the population.

"I think it's a pretty accurate representation of the numbers of minorities."

## Born on Feb. 29? We want you!

The Pioneer is looking for students, faculty and staff who celebrate a birthday on Feb. 29 for an upcoming story.

If you are a leap year baby, let us know!

Call Pioneer Editor Caroline Ting

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## Employment websites helpful in job searches

**"Jobs,"**  
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Employment Services, students who are interested in accessing the sites should call the Office of Student Life at 682-7519 or e-mail [employmentservices@okccc.edu](mailto:employmentservices@okccc.edu).

Employment Services is currently working on a new website where employers can list jobs and students can post résumés.

Fay said this will be convenient because "then students can go online and look at the jobs rather than coming down here and looking in the [job listing] book."

This website will be up on the college's main webpage in about a month, Fay said.

Students with little or no

access to a computer can visit the Student Life office for alternatives for help with finding jobs. It's located on the first floor of the main building.

Fay said there, students can find a disk that will guide them through building a résumé. The students also will have access to a video library where they can learn about things such as goal setting and career search, the job process and job retention.

"We're always available for students one-on-one."

Fay said it's helpful to make an appointment. For more information call Fay at 682-1611, ext. 7683.

Also, the Office of Student Life will have a booth set up from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Feb. 23 and 24 in front of the bookstore to offer help and answer questions.

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